

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

Sub E1  
D1

10. (Amended) A method in a wireless communication system, comprising:  
designating a multi-carrier forward link having a plurality of forward link frequency bins; and  
designating a reverse link having at least one reverse link frequency bin,  
wherein the forward link frequency bins and the reverse link frequency bin are designated such that bandwidth of the forward link is allocated differently from bandwidth of the reverse link.

Sub E1  
D2

13. (Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising:  
selecting a third reverse link frequency bin for reverse link transmission corresponding to the forward link transmission, wherein the third reverse link frequency bin is different from the first and second reverse link frequency bins.

Sub E1  
D3

17. (Amended) A method of allocating bandwidth for forward and reverse link transmissions in a wireless communication system, comprising:  
receiving communications on a multi-carrier forward link, the multi-carrier forward link having a plurality of forward link frequency bins, the reverse link having at least one frequency bin, wherein the forward link and reverse link frequency bins are

configured such that the allocation of bandwidth for the forward and reverse link transmissions are variable.

18. (Amended) The method of claim 17, further comprising:  
receiving by a first device a communication on a forward link frequency bin, the forward link frequency bin having an associated first reverse link frequency bin; and  
transmitting by a second device via a second reverse link frequency bin, wherein said second reverse link frequency bin is different from the first reverse link frequency bin.

19. (Amended) The method as in claim 18, further comprising:  
receiving by the first device an indication of a reverse link frequency bin.

20. (Amended) An apparatus in a wireless communication system, comprising:  
a first means for transmitting information on a multi-carrier forward link, wherein said multi-carrier forward link comprises a plurality of forward link frequency bins; and  
a second means for designating a reverse link frequency bin, wherein said first and second means configure the frequency bins so as to enable differential allocation of bandwidth for forward link and reverse link transmissions.

21. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 20, further comprising:  
means for selecting a first forward link frequency bin from the plurality of forward

link frequency bins for the forward link transmission, the first forward link frequency bin having an associated first reverse link frequency bins; and

D3 means for selecting a second reverse link frequency bin for the reverse link transmission corresponding to the forward link transmission, wherein the second reverse link frequency bin is different from the first reverse link frequency bin.

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Please add the following new claims:

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22. (New) The method of claim 10, wherein the designations of the forward and reverse link includes allocating more bandwidth for the forward link than the reverse link.

sub E1 23. (New) The method of claim 10, wherein the designation of the forward link includes configuring the forward link as a cdma2000 3X forward link.

D4 24 (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the forward link includes first, second, and third carriers.

25. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein said first, second, and third carriers occupy first, second, and third adjacent frequency bins, respectively.

26. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the designation of the reverse link includes configuring the reverse link as a cdma2000 1X reverse link.

27. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the reverse link includes a fourth carrier.

28. (New) The method of claim 27, wherein the fourth carrier is located in a frequency range substantially similar to the second frequency bin.

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